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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I got rid of AT&T and became a Sonic subscriber (for internet and home phone) nearly a year ago. The service is much better, much faster, much cheaper. And this smaller provider (Sonic) has such great customer service, wherever the AT&T service was pathetic.

PLEASE don't do anything that will hamper small competitive telecom carriers like Sonic. I absolute LOVE them! Sonic uses unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements as it's competing for residential customers, and it would be severely, negatively, materially affected if you dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act.

Having a fast and relatively inexpensive internet and VOIP telephone is essential to my home business and to the young adults in my household. The giant carriers just want to make more money and squeeze out carriers like Sonic, which are superior in every way. Please make the right choice here and let them continue to be competitive.

Thanks for listening.

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